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Dear Marvin and Polly:

Congratulations on your work with the Downtown Master Plan. As a major employer in the downtown, we believe a strong downtown Lincoln is important. The proposed Lincoln Downtown Master Plan creates a strong vision for downtown, which in turn, creates a healthy work environment for State Employees.

There is one concern in the plan that I have previously registered with the Committee. While we support a pedestrian friendly environment, it is important to State Employees that downtown Lincoln be accessible for getting to and from work efficiently. The proposed bike lanes may cause us concern. The plan is vague as to whether lanes of traffic are closed to install bike lanes; however, the past discussions suggested a lane of traffic would be removed and traffic would also be slowed because of the proposed back-in angled parking. Slowing traffic coming to and from the downtown will lower an employee's desire to work in the downtown area. As a major employer, it is important that downtown Lincoln be able to efficiently accommodate the flow of employees coming to work downtown.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve on the Downtown Action Team and to provide input to the Master Plan.

Sincerely,


Lori McClurg
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